

## Schedule for 1997 Elba Christmas Festival

The Elba Chamber of Commerce is finalizing plans for their 10th Annual Christmas. We have had a tremendous response from food and craft vendors and anticipate a wonderful selection for all our holiday shoppers. As always there will be plenty of entertainment on hand to add to the festive atmosphere of the season. Roger Booth, owner of Heart

of Dixie Music Park will act as Emcee for the day with entertainment beginning at 9:00 a.m. The following is a schedule of events for the festival:

9:00 - WELCOME-Christmas Music  
9:30 - Dustin Rhodes; Haley Stinson-Page Merritt; and students from Lynn Wilson's Class  
10:00-Classic Country Cloggers  
10:30-Assembly of God Adult

Choir  
11:00-Miss Christmas Pageant  
"GREASE" Performance  
12:30-Carol and Wesley Choirs - United Methodist Church  
1:00-Majesty  
1:30-"Surprise Performance"  
2:00-Sheila Adams  
2:30-Elba Band-3rd & 4th grades  
3:00-Westside Baptist Church Children's Choir  
3:30-Basin Baptist Church Children's Choir  
4:00-"REDEEM"  
4:45-Lighting Ceremony-LIVE NATIVITY  
5:00-PARADE

Also, Jeff Smith with Shiloh Baptist Church has arranged for Live Gospel Music with several groups performing throughout the day. Uncle Doug with WZTZ will be on hand for playing Christmas music and helping set the mood for this festive day. We'll have plenty to keep the children busy with face painting, rides and a visit and picture with Santa. The Lighting Ceremony will be at 4:45 and we'll conclude the day with our Tenth Annual Christmas Parade at 5:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to come and join in the festivities November 29th on the square in Elba.



**LIONS CONTRIBUTE TO SIGHT...**The Elba Lions Club was host to the Alabama Sight Conservation Association on Tuesday, November 11. The speaker for the evening was Judith M. Harvey, executive director of the ALSCA. The Lions presented Ms. Harvey with a check for \$1,150.00 to be used by the ALSCA and the Mobile Screening Unit. Alabama Lions Sight continues to provide basic and specialized eye care for the medically indigent. Pictured above making the presentation are (l-r): Lion Robert Glover, program sponsor, Ms. Harvey; and Fred Moore, president of the Elba Lions Club.

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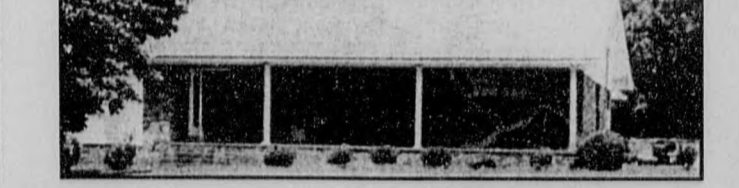
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## Modify your recipes

Susan L. Taylor-Extension Agent/NEP

The holidays are here and time for our favorite holiday recipes. We must remember the holidays are as good a time as any to maintain healthy cooking habits by modifying favorite holiday recipes.

Some recipes can be altered by simply reducing an ingredient or substituting one for another. Some general reductions and substitutions include the following:

\*Sugar can be reduced by 1/3. Example: if a recipe says 1 cup, use 2/3 cup. This works best in home-canned and frozen fruits and in-making puddings and custards. It may be less desirable for cookies and cakes. It should be remembered that non-caloric sweeteners work best as substitutes for sugar in uncooked foods. They are usually adversely affected by heat. These substitutes also do not perform the other functions of sugar.

\*Fat often can be reduced by 1/3. Example: if the recipe has 6 tablespoons, use 4 tablespoons. This works best in gravies, sauces, puddings, and quick breads.

\*Salt may be left out or reduced by 1/2. Example: if the recipe says 1 tablespoon, use 1-1/2 teaspoons. Use spices and herbs for a different flavor.

\*Whole grain flour can be substituted for 1/4 to 1/2 of refined flour. Example: if the recipe has 3 cups all-purpose flour, use 3/4 cup whole grain flour and 2-1/4 cups all-purpose flour.

\*Yogurt or cottage cheese may be substituted for sour cream in some sauce and dip recipes.

\*Use low-fat cheese in place of higher fat cheese in recipes.

\*Skim milk may be substituted for whole milk in most recipes.

\*Evaporated milk or whipped nonfat dry milk may be substituted for cream in some recipes calling for whipped cream.

\*To alter a recipe, use the following tips:  
Start by first making a small amount of the recipe.

Winter Quarter registration is now in progress at ESJC

Winter Quarter registration is underway at Enterprise State Junior College. Classes will begin Dec. 2. For more information call 334/393-ESJC, Ext. 234 at the main campus, or 334/598-3438 at the Ft. Rucker campus.

Web site is [www.esjc.cc.al.us](http://www.esjc.cc.al.us).

**C.C. American Red Cross** seeking individuals to become Health & Safety instructors

The Coffee County Chapter of the American Red Cross is seeking individuals to become Health and Safety instructors.

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Instructor training classes are being scheduled.

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## Coffee County Schools Menu

**BREAKFAST**  
Monday - Waffles w/ Syrup, Sausage Link, Cereal, Juice, Milk  
Tuesday - Donuts, Cereal, Juice, Milk  
Wednesday - Thursday - Friday -  
**THANKSGIVING HOLIDAYS**

**LUNCH**  
Monday - Sausage Pizza Or Fish Nuggets, Corn, Fresh Veggies w/Dip, Fruit, Hush Puppies, Milk  
Tuesday - Baked Ham or Turkey, Candied Yams, Fruit Salad, Dressing w/Giblet Gravy or Cranberry Sauce, Rolls, Green Beans, Milk  
Wednesday - Thursday - Friday -  
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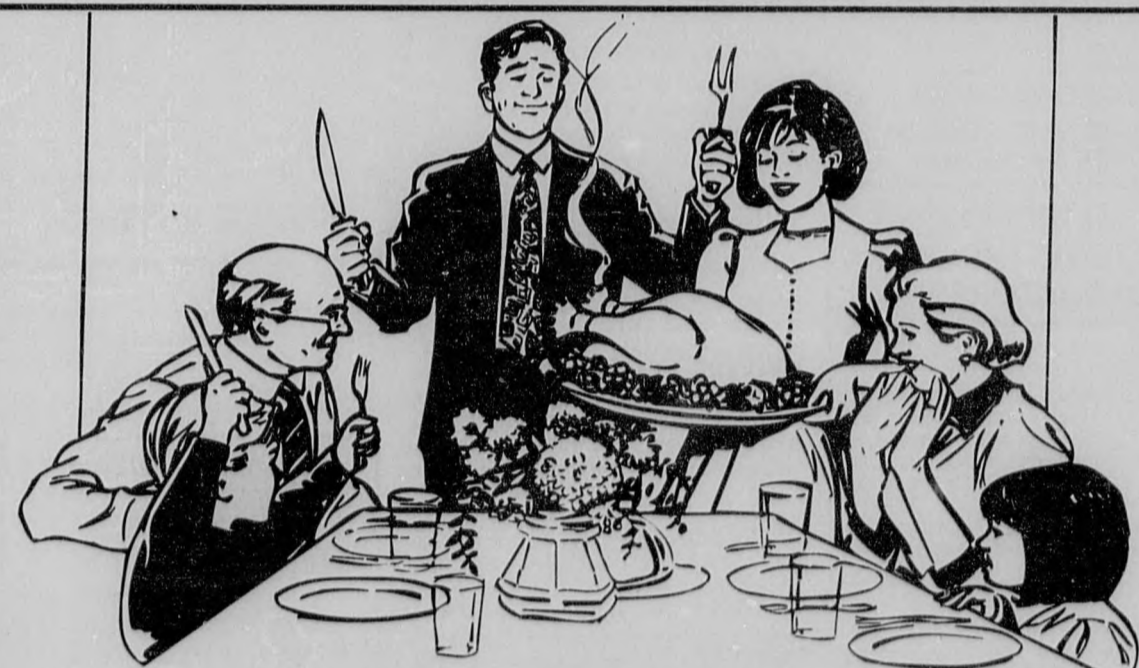
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## Thanksgiving

By Connie Brown, Staff Writer

Most Americans think of Thanksgiving as a day when family and friends come together for a huge meal consisting of the traditional "turkey," stuffing and other such low-fat items, then sit (or perhaps lay on the couch) all afternoon and watch football!

Although that would be a fair assessment of the holiday as it is known in the United States today, that's not what Thanksgiving is all about.

The forefathers of America struggled a great deal to create the independence and freedom that we Americans so treasure today. Thanksgiving Day was used as a symbolic gesture between the Plymouth Colony in 1621 and the Native Americans as they began to work together toward one goal.

The two human entities had farmed the land, taught each other a new way of life, and then used the Thanksgiving Day feast as a means to celebrate oneness.

There were 102 English Puritans and separatists who founded Plymouth Colony. The English settlers originally were headed for Virginia. However, while crossing the Atlantic Ocean, the ship was blown off course by storms. Hence, the accidental landing on Plymouth Rock, (which is now in the state of Massachusetts) North America in December 1620.

Through the winter months the Pilgrims suffered a great deal, but Spring brought forth a time of renewal and dedication to succeed.

Crops were planted and the settlers exchanged goods with the Indians for seed. Together they planted their crops and in the Fall they reaped the harvest.

The Pilgrims of Plymouth Colony were extremely grateful to God for His protection and for the bountiful harvest they were able to enjoy.

On November 26, 1789, President George Washington officially declared the first National Thanksgiving Day. The custom was later renewed by President Abraham Lincoln in 1863.

In 1941, Congress declared Thanksgiving Day should fall on the fourth Thursday of November each year, which has been carried out ever since that time.

The reason for the customary turkey dinner is to act as a reminder of the four wild turkeys served at the very first Thanksgiving dinner by the Pilgrims of Plymouth Colony in 1621.

## Elba City Council's meeting routine

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

On Monday night of this week, the Elba City Council made a board appointment, heard a routine police report, gave the police chief permission to hire a replacement for a resigned radio operator and heard the city clerk report all is well with the flood pumps.

Jerry McMillan was reappointed to another five year term on the Elba Housing Board by unanimous vote of the city council. Mayor James Grimes told the council he had received positive reports on McMillan's service and that McMillan had agreed to serve another appointment.

Police Chief R. W. Whitworth the new NCIC machine is on line and operators are training for it's use. He said the operators and certain police officers will take a 16 hour course on December 15th and 16th to become certified on the equipment.

He reported citizens request to put the traffic light at Whitman's and

the one at the Spur station on blinking caution on the thru traffic sides. He said this had been forwarded to the state and they are expected to install a timer to put these lights on automatic caution flashing from 11 p.m. until 5 a.m. each night.

Whitworth again reported on discussions to correct traffic problems causing accidents at the 203 Bypass intersections. He said he feels some remedies are probable in the near future.

A John W. Sharpless motion to allow the city's street sweeper to sweep the Kleiner's parking lot died for lack of a second. Sharpless noted Kleiner's was a good corporate neighbor and the city should show appreciation.

Mayor Grimes said he had checked League of Municipalities guidelines and only found an Attorney General ruling which said leasing city equipment was legal if a fair market rate was received and there was no private enterprise available to do the work.

Grimes said he had checked with surrounding cities and found some sweep parking lots and others don't.

The only opposing opinion expressed was that this "would open a can of worms" and the city would then not have time to do it's own work because of working all the time on private property.

City Clerk Donnie Morrow reported the new flood pumps have been tested and work very, very well. He said the only problem was some potential erosion when they are in use. This will be corrected by the street department. A dedication service for this new equipment is planned at a later date, inconjunct with the Alabama Emergency Management staff.

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NEW ELECTRONIC VOTING MACHINES STILL POSSIBLE

## No county voting houses to close

by Marvin McLain - Editor

There will be no closing or consolidation of voting precincts or beats in Coffee County - at this time.

In a 5-0 (two commissioners - Tom Grimsley and Len Averett abstained) vote, the Coffee County Commission approved Commissioner Kayo Lewis' motion not to close any voting house in the county.

There were several residents (an estimated 35-40 individuals) from throughout Coffee County at Monday's meeting of the county commission.

Five individuals addressed the commission expressing their displeasure that the commission would even consider closing any voting house in the county.

"Consider the negative effect that this would have on our communities," said Heflin Smith.

He asked that the commissioners consider the effect this would have on our senior citizens, working people, and farmers scattered throughout rural Coffee County.

"I speak on behalf of our community (Kinston) and the surrounding communities (Perry's Store, Holley Store, etc.) that we are opposed to closing any polls at this time," Smith said.

William H. Mullins, Jr., mayor of Kinston, also addressed the commission. "If we can build a four million dollar courthouse in Enterprise, we can pay poll workers," he said.

A former member of the commission, Glimmer Grant, complimented the commissioners on the job they were doing and asked that they commission consider "leaving things just as they are at this time."

Others addressing the commission echoed the same feeling toward closing any of the county's polling places. They suggested that there are other ways to cut expenses without cutting voting houses.

The chairman of the commission, Robert Stephens, was presented with several petitions bearing several hundred signatures of individuals expressing their opposition to any move to close or consolidate voting houses.

Probate Judge William O. Gamble, after the rules were suspended, addressed the commission. He noted that the proposal to purchase new electronic voting equipment for the county was the original matter being considered by the commission.

"Please stay committed to that issue," he told commissioners.

When asked by a member of the audience what he favored, he stated that he was always concerned with saving the taxpayers' money and favored consolidation of the county's polling places.

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Commissioner Doug Dalrymple stated that he was not trying to hold the county back, but maybe this was not the time to make changes in the polling places.

He noted that several constituents, and others, had suggested to him that one way the county could save a lot of money was to reduce the number of commissioners.

## BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

We heard some Monday morning quarterbacks saying something about there being a football game somewhere in Alabama last Saturday evening. We are being careful to not even comment on Saturday's weather because surely some casual reader will get upset over what they think we wrote, or maybe what they think we wanted to write, so mum is the word. Age, and experience, has us choosing our battles a little more carefully ... we don't need to cross anyone this close to Christmas!

The \$8,000,000+ Georgia lottery was won several weeks ago by a blind man from East Alabama. The news story of the man and his family painted a picture of someone who really needed some extra funds. After paying some bills and buying a house for his wife and giving his two sons a chunk, he plans to get a 4 wheel drive truck for his wife to drive him around in ... that is great! Even the anti-gambling forces can't quarrel with people like this getting some relief with their little of \$1 investment.

The State of Alabama will get a financial windfall amounting to many millions this year and maybe for the next few years. It is not because of smart management, but a change in the bookkeeping methods. However, the best we can tell, such antics will not work on an individual's personal bookkeeping. If we tried any such stuff, the IRS would be on our case like the white on rice and no Congressional hearing in the world would help us. Anyway, we notice virtually every segment of the government living off budget process is suggesting that a good chunk of the money come to them and their special interest. Folks, there will not be enough for everyone to get all they want, especially in the upcoming election year. We do look for pay raises for state employees and other high profile spendings that lawmakers think will convert into re-election votes. Even this won't stop talk of a bond issue for road paving.

We hope you enjoy your Thanksgiving Day activities this Thursday. Some will be hunting, others watching football games, but most of us will be eating more than is recommended. We are amazed when the experts say that over 90% of us will eat turkey on this day of giving thanks. From experience, we can say positively that some cooks will do better roasting the ol' bird than others. Our Army days have memories of some mighty dry turkey breasts! If that happens to you this year, we hope the dressing will be a bit supple to compensate for the dry turkey.

The Elba Christmas Festival is scheduled for this Saturday. We urge you to come out and join us on the square for the festivities of the day. Those who have enjoyed the annual festival on the Elba square before, know the smell of funnel cakes, those long sticks with meat on them and the delicious, hot chili sold right there on the corner. Also there are great crafts for that hard to please Christmas shopper on your gift list.

We enjoy a good pound cake as much as anyone and more than most. Fortunately good cooks abound in this area and we get more than our share of the delicious things. Even with a great cake baker at home and friends up and down the streets and avenues of Elba helping out, we jumped and bought one we saw at the Elba Methodist Church this week. We were awfully lucky as it was the last pound cake on the table. When you can get a Carol Jackson pound cake for \$6.00 and credit for helping the church ladies, take our advice and grab it.

That was our second round of eating off the church ladies in a week. Last Thursday we ate great vegetable soup and bar-b-que sandwiches at an annual event of the retired folks in the church. Not that we were hungry you know, it was just that helping the Special Persons was a nice thing to do.

Alabama politics are getting warmer and warmer as the 1998 elections get nearer. Recently there was a lot of news reports about two political operators hired by Governor James to revamp his staff. Those two Georgia guys continue to get attention. The head man, Tom Perdue, apparently wants to be involved in someone's Alabama campaign next year, judging from the comments he makes to news organizations. Oh, this man has Elba ties as his late father was one of the Elba Perdues.



A NEW BUSINESS opened on the square in Elba with an official ribbon cutting last Saturday morning. The Briar Patch, owned by Elba native Jimmy Harrison, is located next to the Elba police station. On hand for the ceremony were members of Harrison's family, beauty queens and representatives of the Elba Chamber of Commerce.

Tell'em you read it in...  
**THE ELBA CLIPPER**

**ELBA POLICE REPORT**  
NOVEMBER 17 THRU NOVEMBER 23, 1997

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, November 17, 1997, investigated the following incidents: six thefts of property, two criminal mischiefs, four harassments, two burglaries, one assault, two public intoxications, one barking dog, one shooting incident.

The following arrests were made: two for public intoxication and one for receiving stolen property.

Citations issued were as follows: fourteen for speeding, two for driving without a driver's license are revoked, one for an expired tag, one for driver's license required, and two for driving while driver's license is suspended.

Daily activity highlights were as follows:  
**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17** - River stage - 10.59 feet (6:29 a.m.); Routine activity.

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18** - River stage - 9.65 feet (6:20 a.m.); Wreck reported at the intersection of AL Hwy. 203 and AL Hwy. 87 (7:42 a.m.); Fire and rescue units dispatched to above wreck (7:54 a.m.); Alarm at the Elba Housing Authority (12:09 p.m.); House fire reported on Riverview Dr. (1:08 p.m.); Fire and rescue units dispatched to fire on Riverview Dr. (1:10 p.m.);

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19** - River stage - 8.86 (6:27 a.m.); Possible prowler reported on Cordelia St. (8:32 p.m.); Routine activity.

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20** - River stage - 8.18 feet (6:20 a.m.); Routine activity.

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21** - River stage - 7.51 feet (6:32 a.m.); Burglary in progress reported on Herman Driggers Drive (9:48 a.m.); Fire department dispatched to Senior Citizens Center (11:32 a.m.); Fire department dispatched to transformer fire on Hickman Ave. (1:30 p.m.); Prowler reported on Old Samson Rd. (5:25 p.m.); Disturbance reported at Big/Little Store West (7:22 p.m.).

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22** - River stage - 7.29 feet (6:33 a.m.); Disturbance reported on E. Davis St. (5:45 p.m.); Rescue run to a business on Hickman Ave. (10:02 p.m.).

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23** - Prowler reported on Powell Circle (12:16 a.m.); River stage - 7.33 feet (6:40 a.m.); Possible burglary reported on Forest Lake Dr. (8:37 p.m.).

**CALL CRIMESTOPPERS @ 897-3881**

**ELBA GENERAL HOSPITAL REPORT**

Elba General Hospital had the following persons admitted during the time period of November 18, 1997 through November 24, 1997. They were: William O. Henderson, Ruth Harellson, Minnie Matthews, Mary Brown, Calvin Tyson, Linda Baldwin, Charles Cox, Marvin Lindsey, Dennis Canley, Joan Hobbs, Grace Kilcrease, W. B. Baldwin, Mary Senn, Gertrude Ennis, Earnest Ellison, Ella Fair Hudson, Etta Mae Griswold, Rosie Jackson, Dorothy Williams, Winnie James, Jacqueline Bundy, Shirley Jackson, Annie W. Hall, Eulene Prescott, Judith Boswell, Roy Edwards, and Lue Head.

Patients discharged during the same period of time were: Jasmine Walker, Antonio Hill, Ollie Taylor, Vergie Donahoe, Henry Veil, Henry Woods, Linda Baldwin, Ruth Harellson, Mary B. Brown, Gertrude Ennis, Calvin Tyson, Minnie Matthews, Grace Kilcrease, Charles Cox, Joan Hobbs, W. B. Baldwin, Ella Fair Hudson, Mary Senn, and Jacqueline Bundy.

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## CITY (Continued from Page One)

Grimes reported that the city employee Christmas party is planned for December 16th at 6:00 p.m. He also announced that the "sample ISO inspection" of the local fire fighting ability has been completed and Elba scored well on the test. Some problems do exist, but can be corrected and then Elba should qualify for a one or maybe a two step reduction in insurance rates. A representative of the Elba volunteer fire department will be present at the next council meeting to go over the report with council members.

## City to close Thanksgiving

The City of Elba offices will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 27 and 28, 1997 in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday. Offices will reopen at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, December 1, 1997.

There will be standby crews for any emergencies dealing with water, electricity, streets, or sewers. To report these emergencies, contact the Elba Police Department at 897-2555.

MAKING OURSELVES CLEARER

The Elba Clipper wants to correct errors that appear in this newspaper. Any reader wishing to point out our errors, whether minor or major, or sources, should contact the editor at 897-2823. Clarifications will appear promptly in this space.

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Recently retired as Chief Assistant District Attorney for the 12th Judicial Circuit (Pike & Coffee Counties), he was previously the first General Counsel to the Alabama Board of Pardons and Paroles.

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## AREA DEATHS

**DORIS WHITMAN PINCKARD**  
Mrs. Doris Whitman Pinckard, age 83, of Elba, died Nov. 19, 1997, at Flowers Hospital.

Funeral services were held Nov. 20, at 2 p.m. at Hayes Funeral Home Chapel, with Rev. Mart Gray officiating.

Burial was in Evergreen Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Mrs. Pinckard was a native of Coffee County and a teacher for 25 years, having retired as principal of Elba Elementary School.

Survivors include two daughters: Judy King and Pat Sharpless, both of Elba; a son: Lee "Bubba" Pinckard, Elba; a sister: Gladys Banley, Edenton, N.C. two sons-in-law: Ran King and Ralph Sharpless, both of Elba; a daughter-in-law: Mary Pinckard, Elba, seven grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

**LESSIE NELSON**  
Mrs. Lessie Nelson, age 80, of Opp, died Nov. 20, 1997, at Mizell Memorial Hospital.

Funeral services were held Nov. 21, at 3 p.m. at Sweetwater Baptist Church.

Burial followed in Sweetwater Cemetery, with Rainer Funeral Home of Opp directing.

Survivors include her husband: James Nelson, Opp; two daughters: Mary Sue Dugan, Andalusia; and Charlotte Ann Johnston, Prattville; a sister: Gladys Grooms, Opp; brother: Ferman Mock, Dothan; two grandchildren: Steven Johnston and John Michael Johnston.

**BETTY NEWSON**  
Mrs. Betty Newson died Nov. 19, 1997. She was born March 25, 1944, in Dale County.

Funeral services were held Nov. 23, 1997, at 2 p.m. at New Salem Baptist Church, with Rev. Person officiating.

Burial was in New Salem Church Cemetery, with Coleman Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include her husband: Willie M. Newson, Brundidge; three sons: Alex Frazier, Ozark; Ronald Jr. Frazier, Kingland, Ga.; Willie Calvin Newson, Brundidge; five daughters: Sandra Barnes, Enterprise; Lesa Nickson, Brundidge; three sons: Alex Frazier, Ozark; Ronald Jr. Frazier, Kingland, Ga.; Willie Calvin Newson, Brundidge; five daughters: Emma Flowers, Maria Tolia, Renia Barnes, Demeller Petty, Gail Carlis, all of Ozark; brothers: Willie J. Stanford, Charlie Stanford, John Stanford, all of Ozark, Greg Stanford, Mobile; seven grandchildren.

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## Letters To The Editor

Dear Editor,

If you've lost a child, friend, or relative to cancer, you'll understand my feelings of concern; and if you've never seen anyone suffering and dying with any form of cancer, I hope you never will - it's not only very sad, it's horrible!

But if you're a smoker, chances are 8 out of 10 that your friends and family will see you be a victim of some cigarette disease.

"It will never happen to me," you say. Maybe it won't, but smoking is one cancer you can possibly give yourself; and it's not worth the chance you are taking for the pleasure you receive.

When our ten-year-old daughter was dying with a rare type of bone cancer that had spread to her little lungs, I couldn't help thinking, "Here's a precious, innocent child with clean, normal, healthy lungs, who never smoked or did anything to irritate the cells making them go wild (that's exactly what cancer is - wild cells). Our Terri had no choice in preventing the disease from destroying her little lungs; if only she knew that I wanted her to see you people who smoke would realize they are killing themselves - and they don't have to!"

If you are a smoker, you're lucky, because there is something you can do: stop smoking today, and if there are no cancer cells already growing in your lungs, they will automatically start cleaning themselves out and will return to normal.

Tobacco is poison! Perhaps you didn't know it was 200 poison chemicals in it, with 30 of these cancer-causing. Every cigarette you smoke takes 14 minutes off your life as it continually builds up more poisons in your lungs and body.

If you smoke one package a day, in a year's time you will have one year of this "crud" built up in your lungs, shortening your life expectancy by seven years - two packs a day equals 12 years.

Once cancer starts in the lungs, it is prone to spread throughout the bloodstream and usually to the liver, brain or bones. The key to treatment of lung cancer lies in prevention - by not smoking.

Smokers also have a high incidence of bladder and kidney cancer because of the poisonous chemicals from tobacco which have been absorbed in the bloodstream from the cigarette smoke.

If you are a smoker, your chances are three times greater of having a heart attack. You see, smoking decreases the amount of oxygen getting into the blood and reduces the size of the arteries, causing poor circulation, making your heart work much harder. (Approximately 100,000 or more amputations for gangrene are done on American smokers every year than are performed on non-smokers.)

Why do you continue to poison your body when the warning is on every package of cigarettes that it is dangerous to your health? Smoking is only a bad habit like any other bad habit, such as overeating, cursing, nail biting, drinking, etc. Stop before it's too late! You owe it to yourself to try to save or extend your life. Take it a day at a time. Set a target day. Why not plan to join the "Great American Smokeout" on Thursday, Nov. 20 (today).

The life you save could be your own. Let your friends and family help you stop this deadly habit that may destroy your life.

However, don't substitute the habit of pipe, cigars and chewing tobacco for smoking, as this tobacco is three times stronger, causing cancer of the lip, mouth and throat.

And, surprising as it may seem, the smoke coming from the burning end of a cigarette is more deadly than that directly inhaled, which means you are also endangering the lives of those you smoke around.

I recently read a story written by a 38-year-old lady wracked with pain, who was dying with lung cancer caused from smoking. I quote her: "As I look back over my short life, I am angry that I wasted my life because I abused the gift of life, and now I am dying."

"I suffer and my family suffers with you, and when I die, they will mourn my death. I am scared of death. When I smoked as a teenager my grandmother used to say, 'when you abuse your body you are going to kill yourself.'"

She went on to say that she wanted to share her experience so those who are hooked on nicotine may know that whatever pleasure you get out of smoking is not worth the risk of developing cancer (or some other smoking disease) and dying. This young lady wrote her story just before she died, hoping to help save lives.

I'd like to mention what Dr. Richard Petro from Oxford University in England said in his message "Smoking Kills." Smokers often argue that you eventually have to die of something. That is true, as we all know; but smokers are missing a vital fact: half these deaths that will occur in

middle age are a loss of 25 years of life. And smokers get fooled by the fact that there is a delay between smoking and the onset of the disease. Smoking kills two million people every year.

Yes, it is frightening, but it is real. Tobacco is poison and it kills. You have to want to quit and there is hope and there is help. There are several options to help stop smoking, but the addiction bonds have to be broken.

Many people report great results from the nicotine patch.

To receive information and help answer your questions, call the American Cancer Society 1-800-4-CANCER or UAB Cancer Answers 1-800-822-0933.

Plan to set your target date for today (Nov. 20) and join millions of others who want to try to stop. If you can quit for just one day - that's the beginning. Remember the life you save may be your own and those who love you don't want to see you suffer - and tomorrow may be too late!

**REESA (Mrs. Jerry W.) BYRD**

Dear Editor,

The Coffee County Dept. of Human Resources has sponsored "Operation Santa Claus" for many years, and this year is being helped by the "Pairs and Spares" Adult Sunday School Class of Elba United Methodist Church, Elba Chamber of Commerce, and volunteer youth groups.

Department Director Linda Bidle said, "There are approximately 200 children in the Elba and Jack areas who qualify for this program. In addition to toys collected, we would like to spend \$20 on each child, and we are asking for funds to do this."

Anyone who does not wish to make a donation may choose a family, purchase and deliver Christmas items for them. These families would then be removed from the "Operation Santa Claus" list.

Names and information can be provided by Human Resources. Contributions may be mailed to: Operation Santa Claus, Elba United Methodist Church, P.O. Drawer L, Elba, AL 36323.

Mark checks "Operation Santa Claus".

For more information contact the Dept. of Human Resources at 347-5865 or the Pairs and Spares Sunday School Class at 897-2698.

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## Veteran Day Program

by: Vaughan Boyd

On November 10, 1997, the Elba High School Student Government Association presented the student body with a Veteran's Day program. It began with the prayer led by secretary, Laura Crowe. The pledge to the flag was conducted by vice-president, Julie Roberson, and the National Anthem was played by members of the EHS band.

President, Elizabeth Strong introduced her father, General Kenneth Strong, who in turn introduced his friend and West Point classmate, Colonel P. J. Penny, from Enterprise. Colonel Penny presented a patriotic program including videos and personal stories from his times in Vietnam.

He concluded by telling everyone to be sure to hug a veteran on the eleventh hour of the eleventh month of the eleventh month which was when World War I ended. His enlightening program made everyone realize how proud we should all be of our veterans.



GEN. KENNETH STRONG

## To Cheat Or Not To Cheat

by: Shea Free

This is a question that many students have to answer everyday. Cheating is the most dishonest way to get a desired grade. Many students have depended on cheating to get that grade or simply because they failed to study for the test. Whatever the reason may be, it is not fair to you, your peers, or your teacher.

It is not a good practice to start. Even though you didn't get caught and got that good grade, you have really only cheated yourself. You have to deal with your conscience and the fact that you really do not deserve that grade.

In the long run you will feel better about yourself if you prepare by taking good notes, paying attention in class, and studying for the test and just doing the best you can. Here are a few of the teachers' opinions on cheating and students who cheat.

Mr. Jimmie Rhodes: "Students who cheat on tests are definitely misguided. Somewhere they lost sight of what education is all about. If students cheat to get good grades, what have they learned? Obviously they have learned nothing."

"I feel that students who cheat on tests fall into two categories. One category are the students who want good grades but are too lazy to work for them; in the second category are those students who study but have so much pressure placed on them by parents that they are insecure in their own knowledge; consequently, they prepare 'cheat notes' as a crutch."

Coach Grimes: "I believe cheating is wrong and you are only hurting yourself when you do it. I believe that students who cheat should be punished. Students should always remember that even though they may not get caught every time by their teacher, the Good Lord always knows."

An education is something that can't be taken away from you. GO FOR IT!!!

Mrs. Berry: "I abhor cheating; a student who cheats will abuse confidence and has no conception of the meaning of honesty. I do not believe students who cheat should be in leadership positions because their actions are not exemplary for other students."

Mr. Ellis: "Students who cheat murder the truth. A cheater is a liar who wants you to believe that he or she has done some required task. What a cheater really does, however, is demonstrate that he or she is too immature and too irresponsible to follow the rules or prepare themselves in the same manner as their peers."

Mrs. Bailey: "Cheating is wrong. I would not want anyone who cheats their way through school to be my physician, pediatrician, accountant, veterinarian, or mechanic."

Mrs. Weeks: "Students who cheat cheat themselves out of the opportunity to learn."

Mr. Carlie: "The sad fact is that students who cheat are only cheating themselves. They are setting themselves on a course of life where dishonesty and lies will be their 'way out.' The penal system is full of people looking for a 'way out.' Therefore the punishment for cheating should be just and severe."

Mrs. Jones: "The person who cheats off someone else is the one who is really hearing to become a freeloader. He will always expect something for nothing. The one who gives help is a pushover and not very intelligent. He does all the work and both get credit."

Mr. Weeks: "Students who cheat are dishonest. Perhaps more importantly students who cheat are forming a habit which will cause them future problems in the workplace. If you cheat, you're really cheating yourself."

Mrs. Bowers: "I feel they are cheating themselves right out of an educational opportunity. Even when a student feels a particular assignment is not something they need to know or ask, 'when will I use this in real life,' there is an important lesson of doing your best and the pride of accomplishing something on your own, bad or good. Cheaters are going to find that in 'real life' every second day something for nothing. I personally think more highly of a C student who earned that C than a cheater who stole an A."

## Tiger Tales



ANNA HEAD  
Editor  
ELIZABETH STRONG  
Assistant Editor

## Slide Show

by: Misty Kelly

On Monday, November 11, 1997, immediately following a Veteran's Day program, the varsity cheerleaders presented their annual slide show to the student body. This year's show featured the varsity football team and cheerleaders, but also focused on other sports such as volleyball, junior varsity football and junior varsity cheerleading.

Also included in the show were slides of the band, fans at the ballgames and pep rallies, and students showing their love for "Tiger Pride."

The music chosen for the slide show was "This Time of Year," "That's What Friends are For," "When You Put Your Heart in It" and "The Dance."

The show will be presented again later this year at the football banquet.

## Basketball Time

by: Jason Sasser

The 1997 Varsity Boys and Girls and B-Team will start their season on November 18, playing Zion Chapel at home. All of the teams have been practicing hard almost everyday. With all this practice the teams and coaches have high expectations for the season. Also, the eighth- and ninth-grade boys and girls have started their basketball season with two wins over Brantley and Enterprise. We wish the Elba Tigers good luck.

Marsha is a senior at Elba High School and is the daughter of Sue and Chipper Mauldin. She is actively involved in VICA as president, Sr. Beta Mu Alpha Theta, Spanish Club, and FBLA. She is also the editor of the 1998 Elba. After graduation, Marsha plans to attend Troy State University.

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## VICA Spotlight

by: Matthew Farris

This week's VICA Spotlight focuses on Marsha Mauldin, an employee at The People's Bank of Elba. The People's Bank serves many of Elba's citizens and has provided quality service throughout the years.

Marsha is employed as a bookkeeper at The People's Bank. Her duties include filing papers, typing, and performing other clerical jobs.

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## Project Swap

by: Jason Sasser

Elba Elementary School is one of 75 Alabama schools that recently received an aerospace library media kit through Project Swap. The Alabama Aerospace Teachers' Association, sponsors of this project, sent applications to every school in Alabama through TeacherNet.

The Elba Elementary application was written by Mary Grider, Joanne Doggett, Lynn Wilson and Judy Killingsworth. The kit, designed to appeal to students in grades K-6, covers topics related to aviation and astronomy. It includes one CD-ROM, eleven videos, and six hardcover books. The kit will offer students and faculty new ideas for aerospace education.

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## Editor's Corner

by: Anna Head

This week my Editor's Corner is actually a spotlight on two very important members of the Elba High School faculty, secretaries Mrs. Pam Baker and Mrs. Leona Siler.

When I first began this article I thought I might entitle it "Secretary for the Day," and perhaps give people who do not see these ladies at work every day a glimpse of their many duties and responsibilities.

However, when I began interviewing them we ended up talking more about their thoughts and feeling on their job rather than their actual work. I then decided to incorporate their interview into my editorial as an example of the positive outlook that Elba High School employees possess concerning their job.

Mrs. Pam Baker is married to Kenneth Baker and is the mother of two daughters, Wyndi, who is currently attending Enterprise State Junior College and Amy, who attends Auburn University. Mrs. Baker has been employed at Elba High School for eleven years and is a member of the Elba United Methodist Church.

Mrs. Leona Siler is married to John H. Siler and is the mother of three sons, Antonio, Jonathan, and Kevin. She came to Elba High School in August of 1993 and attends the Harris Temple Church of God in Christ.

Mrs. Baker and Mrs. Siler keep an exceptionally busy schedule. In fact, it took several tries to catch them at a time when they were not busy helping someone and able to give an interview.

Each day they not only assist the principal, assistant principal, counselor, teachers, students, and parents, but their daily routines also consist of counseling, being a nurse, a second mom, and most important, a friend. Mrs. Siler commented that one of the reasons she enjoys her job is because "there is always something new and challenging to look forward to each day."

Mrs. Baker stated that, "One of the rewards of the job is seeing the success of the graduates."

Both enjoy "having one-on-one contact with the students" and "when the students trust us enough to talk to us." When I asked for one comment to sum up their jobs both replied, "Never a dull moment!!!"

I personally would like to thank Mrs. Baker and Mrs. Siler for their time, and I am sure I speak for the entire student body when I say THANK YOU for all you do!



by: Diana Jackson

Thursday, October 30, 1997, students at Elba Elementary School came to school ready to go to trick or treating. However, the students were not the only ones who came dressed up. The 4th grade teachers, Mrs. Grimes, Mrs. Price, Mrs. Johnson, and Mrs. Dye, all dressed up as pregnant women. But, only one teacher was really pregnant. Can you tell which one?

Elba Elementary School Menus

Dec. 1 - 5, 1997

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Monday - Cinnamon Toast or Cereal, Applesauce, Juice, Milk  
Tuesday - Pancakes w/syrup or Cereal, Juice, Milk  
Wednesday - Sausage & Biscuit or Cereal, Juice, Milk  
Thursday - Cheese Grits or Cereal, Juice, Milk  
Friday - Eggs & Toast or Cereal, Juice, Milk

**Lunch**  
Monday - Pizza, Broccoli w/Cheese, Corn on Cob, Half Apple, Milk  
Tuesday - Ham Sandwich, Potato Tots, Green Beans, Spice Cake, Milk  
Wednesday - Lasagna, Green Salad, Sliced Carrots, Pear Half, Garlic Bread, Milk  
Thursday - Corn Dog, Macaroni & Cheese, Turnips, Half Orange, Milk  
Friday - Fish Burger, Cole Slaw, French Fries, Mixed Fruit, Milk

Project Swap

SGA Decoration Contest

One of Student Government Association's biggest and most fun homecoming activities is the wall decorating contest.

The Junior High boys started their game immediately after the girls. In the first period Josh Carney, #63, and Jonah Edmondson, #23, each scored two points for the Zion Chapel Rebels.

The New Brockton Gamecocks scored eight points to bring the score to Rebels 4 and Gamecocks 8 at the end of the first period. The Gamecocks had seven unanswered points in the second period to make the score Rebels 4 and Gamecocks 15 at the end of the first half.

In the third period the Rebels scored two more points when Josh Carney, #53, hit the basketball for a field goal. At the end of the third period, the Gamecocks had scored six more points leaving the score Rebels 6 and Gamecocks 21.

The Gamecocks finished out the game with eight points in the fourth period and the Rebel added two more points. In Rebels' higher score was Josh Carney with six points. The final score was Rebels 8 and Gamecocks 29.

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## American Education Week

by: Laura Williams

"Teaching Children to Think and Dream" was the theme for the poster contest sponsored by the Coffee County Education Council. The purpose of the contest was to make children aware that it was American Education Week and to keep them aware of the many things that teachers do for students.

Students in grades K-5 were able to participate in the poster contest. The contest was divided into two divisions, K-2 and 3-5. There was one winner from each division and each was given \$5. Posters had to be on an 8 X 10 piece of white paper with a construction paper backing.

Winner of the K-2 division was Jessica Wambles. Jessica's poster was titled "Teaching Children to Think and Dream." It was a drawing of a girl reading a book with her eyes closed, and her hands were on the pages. When asked what she was going to do with her \$5 Jessica replied, "Save it in case I want something."

It is not very often that teachers are given credit for the many wonderful things that they do for their students or the changes they make in the lives of students. It is for this reason that we salute our teachers during American Education Week. Through having students draw posters about their teachers, they can realize the many wonderful lessons they learn from their teachers and their teachers are allowed to see how much they are really appreciated.

Winner of the 3-5 division was Jenny Downing. Pick a Key to Open the Door to Your Successful Life was the title of Jenny's poster. It pictured a door with a key hole and various keys. Each key had a word such as Reading, Spelling, English, or Math written on it. When asked what she was going to do with her \$5 Jenny replied, "Save it in case I want something."

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Junior Basketball News

by: Wesley Clark, Tessa Hall, and Tina Johnson

The Zion Chapel Junior High basketball season started on Friday 14, 1997, with Zion Chapel playing against the New Brockton Gamecocks. The game was held at Zion Chapel at 4:30 p.m. The first game was played by the girls followed by the boys.

The Rebels were able to get the tip off when the Gamecocks hit the ball out of bounds. This was good for the Rebels because Jennifer Meyers, #22, was able to score the first two points of the game. By the end of the first period the score was Rebels 2, Gamecocks 9. In the second period the Gamecocks scored ten more points bringing the score to 2-19 at half time. The third period went the same way, making the score Zion Chapel 2, New Brockton 29. The Rebels had a slight comeback in the fourth period when Jennifer Meyers, #22, scored two more points. The Gamecocks got to finish the game by bringing the score to Rebels 4 Gamecocks 35.

The Junior High boys started their game immediately after the girls. In the first period Josh Carney, #63, and Jonah Edmondson, #23, each scored two points for the Zion Chapel Rebels.

The New Brockton Gamecocks scored eight points to bring the score to Rebels 4 and Gamecocks 8 at the end of the first period. The Gamecocks had seven unanswered points in the second period to make the score Rebels 4 and Gamecocks 15 at the end of the first half.

In the third period the Rebels scored two more points when Josh Carney, #53, hit the basketball for a field goal. At the end of the third period, the Gamecocks had scored six more points leaving the score Rebels 6 and Gamecocks 21.

The Gamecocks finished out the game with eight points in the fourth period and the Rebel added two more points. In Rebels' higher score was Josh Carney with six points. The final score was Rebels 8 and Gamecocks 29.

Zion Chapel Junior High basketball

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## Rebel News Briefs

HYPERBOLA OR HYPERBOL?

by: Amy Eddins

Have you ever wondered what the difference was between a hyperbola (hi-pur-ba-la) and a hyperbole (hi-pur-bol-ee)? A hyperbola is a math term and a hyperbole is an English term. According to the Advanced Math class's textbook, Introductory Analysis, a hyperbola is the set of all points in the plane such that the absolute value of the difference of the distances from each point in the set to two fixed points (the foci) is constant.

A hyperbola has two vertices, a transverse axis, and a center. The vertices of a hyperbola are the intersections of the hyperbola with the line containing the foci. A transverse axis is the line segment with the vertices as endpoints. The center of a hyperbola is the midpoint of the transverse axis. Is there anything else you want to know about a hyperbola?

According to the Webster's Student Dictionary, a hyperbole is an extravagant exaggeration used as a figure of speech. Now that you know the difference between the two, have you been using the right word?

ELEMENTARY KICKS OFF ACCELERATED READER PROGRAM

The Zion Chapel Elementary School will kick off its Accelerated Reader program on December 2, 1997. Mrs. Chris Suley and Mrs. Beverly Liptritz's fourth-grade classes will present a play for information and for entertainment. Mrs. Deborah Herron, the elementary school counselor, is very excited about the Accelerated Reader program. She hopes the students will be doing a lot of reading. So far, the elementary has cataloged over 400 new books.

DONUTS FOR ATHLETIC SHOES

The Zion Chapel girls basketball team had a Krispy Kreme doughnut sale to help pay for their basketball shoes. The girls began taking orders for the treats on Thursday, November 6, and delivered the club new has in its account. Mrs. Debra Herron, club sponsor, took out \$6 for supplies to prepare for National Education Week. Each box of doughnuts the girls sold subtracted a dollar from the price of their shoes. Michele Sawyer, a senior player, was the only player to sell enough doughnuts to completely pay for her \$65 Nike Flights.

JUNIOR BETA MEETING

The Zion Chapel Junior Beta Club met during second period on November 18, 1997. The business for the meeting included a discussion on making payments on their dues and how much money the club now has in its account. Mrs. Debra Herron, club sponsor, took out \$6 for supplies to prepare for National Education Week. Each box of doughnuts the girls sold subtracted a dollar from the price of their shoes. Michele Sawyer, a senior player, was the only player to sell enough doughnuts to completely pay for her \$65 Nike Flights.

The next business was a discussion of "Adopting an Angel" of the angel tree at Wal-Mart. The members decided to adopt two angels. The Jr. Beta made plans to sell chances on a ham for a \$1 each. The profits from this fund-raiser will enable the club to adopt the angels and so the receipts must be turned in by December 1, 1997. Also on December 1, the Junior Beta will sell candy at break and after school.

The Jr. Beta plans to make a trip to Wal-Mart to purchase the angels and then to Mrs. Henson's house for a Christmas party. The party will be held on December 8, 1997, after school, and will end at 8 p.m. The Junior Beta club members also discussed a possible trip to Water World.

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**Zion Chapel High School REBEL NEWS**  
Rachel Bryan, Sponsor  
SaLena Shuman, Editor

**Rebel Football Sweetheart**

Kendra Ward has been chosen as the 1997 Football Sweetheart. The football sweetheart is chosen through a vote of the members of the varsity football team and the candidates are members of the varsity cheerleading squad. The sweetheart is the cheerleader that exhibits the most school spirit and pride. Kendra is the sixteen-year-old daughter of Mary and Kenneth Ward. She is in the eleventh grade. She has been a junior varsity cheerleader and has been on the varsity squad for three years. During the homecoming pep rally Kendra was presented flowers by the football players. She was also presented an autographed football. Each of the varsity team members had signed the ball.

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\*\*\*Scripture: Acts 5:1-16  
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\*\*\*The Mulberry Missionary Baptist District Ministers, Deacons and Laymen's Union will convene with the Antioch Baptist Church, Andalusia, Nov. 30, at 9:45 a.m., Rev. Wendell Williams, pastor, Rev. J.M. Bryant, president.  
Sermon will be by Rev. L.P. Carter, pastor of Jordan Grove Baptist Church, Searight, Ala.  
\*\*\*The Brotherhood Department of Rocky Head M.B. Church, Elba, is asking everyone to meet at Rocky Head Sunday evening at 6 p.m.  
Rev. A.R. Williams is pastor.  
\*\*\*Rocky Head M.B. Church's Usher Board (Elba) will have Ushers Meeting each Monday before the 2nd and 4th Sundays at 6 p.m.  
\*\*\*The Progressive Saving Club will have their annual banquet Dec. 6, at 4 p.m., at Elba Zion Missionary Baptist Church, Elba, Rev. J.L. Grayer, pastor.  
Master of Ceremony and Devotional - Dea. Shelly Davis; welcome - Helen Thigpen; Occasion - Shirley Coleman; Jordanians of Enterprise will sing; speaker - Rev. N. Larkin.

pastor of Sweet Pilgrim Baptist Church, Brundidge.  
\*\*\*St. Paul Baptist Church, Greenville, Music Dept., presented Choir Day on Nov. 22. Musical concert was by Rocky Head M.B. Church, Elba's Gospel Choir. Rocky Head members and Rev. Willie Edwards attended.  
\*\*\*Benefit Concert, Opp High School, 502 Maloy St., Opp, Dec. 6, 7 p.m. for Bishop and Mrs. Holmes, of Deliverance Temple Church of Geneva, and Ms. Jean Smith.  
Mistress of Ceremony - Pastor Ernestine Council.  
Featured groups will be Deliverance Temple groups, Ed Bonner and the Highlights of Selma; Flying Clouds, Brundidge; Redeemed, Elba.  
\*\*\*Youth Need to Know: African American History - November. Monthly Motivation: All mothers are handicapped; they have only two hands - Enolia P. McMillan, first woman to become executive director of the NAACP.  
\*\*\*Notable Quote: God speaks wherever He finds a humble, listening ear. And the language He uses is kindness. . . The mind is the standard of the man. Paul Laurence Dunbar, writer and poet.

\*\*\*Did you know? The opportunities Industrialization Centers, founded by Leon Sullivan of Phoenix Ariz., has provided job training for nearly two million African American men and women.  
\*\*\*Question: What did Bell Telephone Systems researcher W. Lincolin Hawkins achieve?  
Answer: Earned 18 U.S. patents and 129 foreign patents and was awarded the National Medal of Technology in 1992.  
\*\*\*Happy Thanksgiving Day!  
\*\*\*Today is a good day! Be grateful. Eria.

### Christmas Open House & Christmas Festival to be at Southeast Pioneer Village

Christmas Open House will be held November 28, 29 & 30 1997, at the Southeast Pioneer Village, located on Hwy. 231, eight miles north of Troy, AL, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Refreshments and in-shop discounts will be available.  
A Christmas Festival is planned for Saturday, November 29 from 9:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M. The festival will include arts & crafts, antiques, collectible dolls, primitives, wood work and etc. Free admission, good food, and family fun will be enjoyed by all. Booth spaces are available. Call: 334-807-3794/334-566-3896 or to leave message call: 334-556-9970/334-484-9141.

Winter Quarter registration is now in progress at ESJC  
Winter Quarter registration is underway at Enterprise State Junior College. Classes will begin Dec. 2. For more information call 334/393-ESJC, Ext. 234 at the main campus, or 334/598-3438 at the Ft. Rucker campus.  
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9:00 - WELCOME-Christmas Music  
9:30 - Dustin Rhodes; Haley Stinson-Page Merritt; and students from Lynn Wilson's Class  
10:00 - Classic Country Cloggers  
10:30 - Assembly of God Adult Choir  
11:00 - Miss Christmas Pageant "GRIEASE" Performance  
12:30 - Carol and Wesley Choirs - United Methodist Church  
1:00 - Magesty  
1:30 - "Surprise Performance"  
2:00 - Sheila Adams  
2:30 - Elba Band-3rd & 4th grades  
3:00 - Westside Baptist Church Children's Choir  
3:30 - Basin Baptist Church Children's Choir  
4:00 - "REDEEM"  
4:45 - Lighting Ceremony-LIVE NATIVITY  
5:00 - PARADE



Mr. & Mrs. Jessie Smart to be honored on Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Smart request the pleasure of your company at their parents Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary Celebration on Sunday, the thirtieth of November, nineteen hundred and ninety-seven from two until four o'clock in the afternoon at the Bluff Springs Baptist Church located on County Rd. 304.

Let your presence be your gift.

Mr. & Mrs. Felix Chandler to be honored with Wedding Anniversary celebration

The family of Mr. and Mrs. Felix Chandler invite you to the celebration of their parents 65th wedding anniversary on Sunday December 7, 1997 from 2:00 - 4:00 in the afternoon at The Brantley Project Community House. No Gifts Please.

PICTURED ABOVE are three of the community volunteer groups who worked with the Chamber of Commerce in stringing the lights on the trees around the courthouse square last Saturday morning. Members of the Elba police department and volunteer fire department grilled hamburgers for the volunteers.

## Thanksgiving

A TIME TO BE GRATEFUL

We thank Thee, heavenly Father,  
For the joy and for the pain,  
For the strength and for the weakness,  
For the failure and the gain;  
For in weakness, pain, and failure,  
Is my faith made rich, divine,  
With a sweeter, deeper knowledge  
That the strength of God is mine.  
We have learned through pain and weakness  
That our troubled soul makes speed,  
Rising high above the maelstrom,  
Soars aloft in time of need.

We thank Thee, heavenly Father,  
For the longest, darkest night,  
For the patience Thou didst give us  
As we waited for the night;  
For we saw, while in the darkness,  
That angelic hosts were near;  
And they dispelled our ever fear.  
We have learned that trials and sorrows  
Are but wings to heights above,  
Resting strengthfully beneath us  
Are Thine arms of changeless love.

We thank Thee, heavenly Father,  
For the props that fall away;  
For the sweetest time of trusting  
Need not wait a future day;  
For the birds have sung their sweetest,  
And the flowers bloomed more fair,  
In the humble paths we've trodden  
When the peace of God was there;  
We have learned, each step we've taken,  
Though they hide from day to day,  
While Thy loving eye is on us  
We shall never lose our way.

Views from...

## The Pressbox

By Ricky Mulazr, Sports Editor

Mom and I began our Christmas shopping over the weekend, and despite forgetting to bring along Melanie's list, did get a couple of things for both girls on the opening day of the shopping season. Melanie's list was long and detailed, so, it really wasn't all that hard to remember, while Melissa has a very different taste in clothes than her parents, and that makes shopping for her kind of easy - just don't buy any clothes. While we both had sore feet and headaches by the time we got home, it really wasn't all that bad, and we may head out for round two sooner than we would like to admit. See ya there...

### HITS AND NEAR MISSES...

\*\*\* The Elba Tigers opened their basketball season last week with a big win over cross-county rival Zion Chapel, and gave new-coach Marion Johnston his first win as the Tiger boss. The Tigers played an aggressive man-to-man defense throughout the game, and used a patient offense to get high percentage shots inside the paint. While this year's team may not be filled with any real standouts, it is filled with young men who are willing to work hard and play hard, and that should make it an easy team to support. C'mon out and watch a game, you'll enjoy what you see.

\*\*\* If you are a real high school basketball fan, the place to be after the Thanksgiving holiday will be New Brockton High School. New Brockton will host the third annual Coffee County Thanksgiving Invitational, and this year the event will include eight girls teams and eight boys teams. Action will begin at 9:00 AM on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, and will continue throughout the day, with the final game each night set to tip-off at 7:30. With eight games over three days, even the biggest basketball fan should get enough round ball action. See ya there.

\*\*\* The renovation is nearing completion at the new Elba Recreation Center, located on Claxton Avenue, and before long the recreation department will have its own regulation sized gym that will house the department's basketball leagues. The recreation department moved its offices into the old Army Reserve Center a year ago, and has gradually moved all its equipment into the facility. Now that the recreation department has a home to call its own, look for additional recreation opportunities for everyone in the area.

\*\*\* It used to be said that Auburn could find a different way to lose every time it hit the field, and while that isn't true any longer, the same can almost be said for Alabama. The Crimson Tide had the game practically won Saturday night against Auburn, but their assistant coaches once again came through with a no-brainer, and Auburn booted the late field-goal to claim the win. All the Tide had to do was run the football, make Auburn call its last time-out and then punt the ball deep down field. That would have left Auburn with around 80 yards to cover in less than a minute, and even if the Tigers had scored late, at least they would have earned the win, which is better than giving it away. What time is it? It's time for some changes before the next recruiting class arrives!

\*\*\* The high school football playoffs will enter the third round this week and for the first time in four years Clay County won't be around to defend its title. The three-time defending state champs were knocked off by Luverne in second round action, and found out something that we all know it's hard to win in Luverne in football. The only other surprise came in the 6A ranks, where Jeff Davis pounded Pellam 50-21, and sacked Alabama signee Tyler Watts ten times. The only game anywhere close this week will find Cottonwood hosting Highland Home.

## Elba 8th grade Tigers off to 7-1 start

The 8th grade Tigers have been running past almost all opponents in early season basketball action and own an impressive 7-1 record after the opening three weeks of the season.

Following are early-season highlights:

**ELBA 41 B'LEY 30**

The 8th grade Tigers took charge late in the game to slip past Brantley 41-30, in Brantley.

The Tigers trailed 14-10 after one quarter, and led only 32-30 after three quarters, but took command late to claim the win.

Derrick Brooks scored 13 points to lead Elba, while Josh Moultrey and Josh Daniels scored 10.

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# Sports

## Open basketball season with wins

## Elba Tigers sweep Zion Chapel

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2. Make only the minimum monthly payments on your credit cards. If you pay only the 2 percent minimum on a \$2,000 credit card bill, assuming an 18 percent interest rate, you'll still be paying 19 years from now. The interest alone will cost you more than \$4,200.
3. Don't waste time writing down your financial goals and objectives. Putting your goals and objectives on paper, including due dates for their achievement, doubles your chance of obtaining them and helps you stay focused. Keeping a picture of your financial goal on your bathroom or dresser mirror or on your refrigerator also motivates you.
4. Save a little, spend a little more. After paying off a loan, many people are so thrilled to have a few more dollars in their pockets that they look for something else to buy. Instead of digging yourself in deeper, use this extra money to pay off other debts more quickly or save and invest a part of it.
5. Chase after the latest "hot investment." By the time magazines and newspapers report on a hot investment, it's usually cold. Instead go for steady, consistent, long-term growth.
6. Forget about investing for retirement. You can live off Social Security, right? At best, Social Security will cover only a fraction of your retirement. Talk to your financial planner about how to start preparing for a comfortable retirement.

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## Family living exercise and nutrition

A well-balanced diet is not the only component to a healthy lifestyle. Physical activity is an important part of living healthy.

Balancing the energy the body uses and the calorie intake is the only way to avoid gaining weight. Physical activity is an important way to use food energy. Many of us spend too much time during the day in activities that require little energy expenditure.

Many of us gain weight as adults, increasing our risk for illnesses such as high blood pressure, heart disease and stroke. Physical activity can help us lose weight and decrease body fat. This can help reduce our disease risk as well.

Including more activity in your life doesn't mean you have to join a gym or invest in expensive exercise equipment. You need to spend less time in sedentary activity such as sitting or watching television and spend more time participating in moderate physical activities.

Ideally, you should spend 30 minutes a day engaged in moderate physical activity. If 30 minutes seems like a long time to you, break the time up into 15 minute blocks.

Moderate physical activity is something almost all of us are capable of performing. It's not the intense workout associated with distance running. Check out this list of activities for something you can work into your lifestyle.

**Moderate Physical Activities**

- \*walking briskly (34 miles per hour)
- \*conditioning or general calisthenics
- \*home care or general cleaning (vacuuming, mopping)
- \*racket sports such as tennis or badminton
- \*jogging
- \*swimming, moderate effort
- \*cycling, moderate speed (10 miles per hour or less)
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## NEWS FROM OUR SERVICE FOLKS

## ELMER T. BRYAN

Marine Pvt. Elmer T. Bryan, son of Elmer T. and Debby J. Bryan of Rt. 2, Elba, recently completed the Motor Vehicle Operator Course at Marine Corps Detachment, Ft. Le-

nard Wood, Mo.

Bryan acquired the specialty skills and technical ability necessary to operate light and medium tactical wheeled vehicles during various field and convoy operations.

The 1996 graduate of Elba High School joined the Marine Corps in May, 1997.

## MICHAEL E. FREESE

Navy Chief Petty Officer Michael E. Freese, son of Myra A. Freese of Rt. 1, New Brockton, recently attended the 22nd annual Marine Corps Marathon, Washington, D.C.

The "Marathon of Monuments" is the fourth largest marathon in the U.S. and stretches 26.2 miles.

The 1980 graduate of New Brockton High School joined the Navy in October 1984. He is a 1988 graduate of Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Ill., with a BS degree.

## CURTIS T. THREATS

Army Pvt. Curtis T. Threats has graduated from basic military training at Ft. Jackson, Columbia, S.C.

During the training, students received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions.

Threats is the son of Eloise and stepson of Charles Kelly of Rt. 4, Elba.

## MARILYN C. BECK

Dept. of Defense Civilian Dr. Marilyn C. Beck has been appointed by the Secretary of Defense to serve on the Board of Visitors for the Community College of the Air Force at Maxwell Air Force Base, Montgomery.

The board is comprised of civilian educators and business leaders who represent the public interest in the governance of the college.

Beck is president of Lord Fairfax Community College in Virginia. She is a 1957 graduate of Elba High School and a 1962 graduate of Troy State University. She earned her doctorate in 1970 from Auburn University.

## C.C. Humane Society Animal Shelter to hold annual Christmas Party

The Coffee County Humane Society Animal Shelter will hold its annual Christmas Party for the Animals on Saturday, Dec. 6, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

The shelter is located off Hwy. 84/134 east of Enterprise.

The public is invited to attend and

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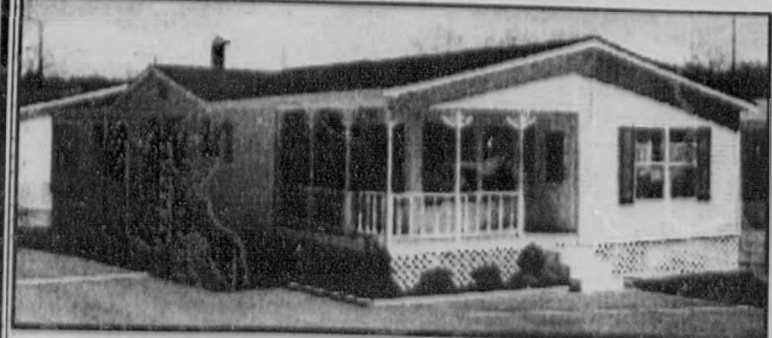
## No more shots

New drug development may make it more acceptable to perform transplants of the pancreas alone instead of the standard kidney-pancreas procedure, says UAB transplant surgeon Mark Deierhoj. "New agents are showing promise in pancreas procedures. They should improve our results and make it more acceptable to perform isolated pancreas transplants, without the accompanying kidney procedure."

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